

FOR PRESIDENT,  
**BENJAMIN HARRISON**  
OF INDIANA.  
FOR VICE PRESIDENT,  
**LEVI P. MORTON**  
OF NEW YORK.

**"PROTECTION!"**

Alf. Chantz, city editor of the Virginia Enterprise, returned from the East Sunday evening. Mr. Chantz attended the Chicago Convention in the capacity of special correspondent of the Enterprise, and since its adjournment has visited Canada and many of the principal cities in the East. In conversation with a Gazette reporter, he briefly gave his views of the political situation. "The nomination of Harrison and Morton has been enthusiastically received in the East and the party view the approaching campaign with the utmost complacency, confident that the ticket will receive an overwhelming majority. We of the West cannot appreciate the magnitude of the issue on which the fight will be made, but the people of the middle and eastern States are alive to the dangers which will menace the manufacturing interests if the free trade theories of Cleveland are put into practice. Everywhere 'Protection' is the watchword, and the workingmen are sounding the praises of Harrison and Morton. With the laboring classes voting solidly for Harrison and Morton, victory is a foregone conclusion. It seems, also, to be the universal opinion among leading Republicans, that the party could not have made a wiser choice. The nomination of Benjamin Harrison and Levi P. Morton has healed the breach in the ranks of the party and it now presents a solid front to the opposition which the free trade policy of the Democratic party, with all its British gold and influence, can not retard in its march to power. The enthusiasm in the East is something wonderful, and the enthusiasm is spreading westward, and when the campaign begins in earnest the watchword, 'Protection!' will be heard from one end of the country to the other."

—Every city in Connecticut and some twenty of the larger manufacturing villages have already held Republican ratification meetings. It is a noteworthy fact that a greater part of the speaking has been done by practical men prominent in industrial matters and by workmen themselves.

**Smokeless Powder.**

The coming military rifle is evidently to be smokeless and almost silent. The Lebel rifle, adopted by the French, closely approaches the ideal, and carries 2,000 meters with deadly effect. Lack of smoke and noise will make a wonderful change in tactics, and we think the lack of noise and smoke will test men's courage in a most crucial way.

The roar of musketry, gleaming lines of fire and canopies of smoke, lends an artificial excitement to a battle that rouses the most sluggish blood, and men naturally timid will be carried along by the rush and roar of the conflict and perform deeds of valor which they would shrink from in their cooler moments. Bravery is contagious at such times and a good many men run or fight with the crowd. But to be mowed down by unseen agencies is a different thing.

A charge on a breastwork defended by weapons which make no smoke and little noise, will spread a terror through the ranks of those in front, because they can form no estimate of the strength of the foe. Only men of unquestioned grit and the stoutest nerves will ever reach a breastwork defended in this manner.

—The people of Indiana are ratifying the nomination of Harrison and Morton in a way which indicates that they are determined to redeem that State from the Copperheads and tally-sheet forgers by a decisive majority.

**Winter Hye for Hay.**

It is found that Winter sown rye produces excellent hay without irrigation. This is a valuable discovery for stock-growers, Thomas Shone of Humboldt county has rye over three feet high that was sown in February last. The Silver State says: "It has not been irrigated, and received no water except what little fell from the clouds. A patch of alfalfa sown alongside the rye, and treated exactly like it, did not germinate. Mr. Shone thinks the rye, if sown in the Fall or as early in the Winter as the condition of the ground will admit, in rich sagebrush soil, will make good hay without irrigation, and he intends to try it on a large scale next Winter."

—Benjamin Harrison received this telegram of congratulations from a resident of Albany, N. Y.: "Thank God, England will not slap you in the face with a Canadian codfish and make you believe it is an English army blanket, a la Grover Cleveland."—Albany Express.

**The Old Thing.**

The people of San Francisco are having a big rumpus over a thieving 4th of July committee. The papers are denouncing them as thieves, and their actions would seem to indicate that such was the case.

As a rule the men who get on the 4th of July committee in a big city go there purposely to scoop in some money.

The writer notices one name on the committee with whom he had a business transaction some years ago and if he is not a thief now he has changed his spots considerably since.

—General Harrison has a way of putting things which covers the whole case in dozen words. Hear this from one of his speeches:

"I am one of those uninstructed political economists who have had an impression that some things may be too cheap; that I cannot find myself in full sympathy with this demand for cheaper coats, which seems to me necessarily to involve a cheaper man and woman under the coats."

—The London Times advises Mr. Cleveland that his denial and that of his party of the real character of the doctrine of his tariff message and letters is unmanly. The Times assures Mr. Cleveland that he is preaching orthodox free trade doctrine, and hints that he ought to have courage enough to call things by their right names. The Times is practical, if not discreet.

—The Republican prospects are brightening in Virginia. Riddleberger says the party has a good chance to carry the State this Fall. The tariff issue hurts the Democratic prospects there. Mahone and Riddleberger, it is reported, have united in an effort to put Virginia in the Republican column next Fall.

—The National Visitor, a newspaper owned and edited by John A. Margee, late Chairman of the Democratic Congressional Committee for the Peoria, Ill., district, has come out squarely for Harrison and Morton.

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